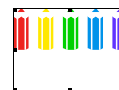


# Marshall Child Development Center

## May Newsletter 2010



Playing today...learning  
for tomorrow.

### *From the Director...!*

May is an exciting month as the weather gets nicer and outside activities are planned. But May is also a sad time for we start seeing those leave that will be going to Kindergarten. I have no doubt that all of the children that leave MCDC are ready and will be successful in Kindergarten. I just wish it didn't mean that they had to leave us! Our graduation ceremony for those heading off to Kindergarten will be May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm in Morris Auditorium. We would love everyone to join us!

May is also the month that we celebrate our Mothers! We will have a Mother's Day Store on May 6<sup>th</sup>. This gives the children aged 2 and above an opportunity to shop for their moms. Gifts are \$2.00 each and details will be in your child's classroom. We will also have muffins for our moms on May 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:45am-8:45am in the cafeteria. Please stop by and enjoy a muffin!

This year we will be celebrating MCDC's 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday! 20 years ago, a group of parents got together and formed a corporation named Marshall Child Development Center, and we have been going strong ever since. We will be celebrating our anniversary, as we do each year, on June 11<sup>th</sup> with a picnic here at the center. Please mark your calendars!

Congratulations to our newest board members Erika Andrews, Rosalind Cylar and Michelle Donatelli! We are so excited to have you. The new board will officially start on June 1, 2010 and consists of the following:

Lisa Watson-Morgan; President  
Kristina Parmenter; Vice-President  
Ericka Andrews; Secretary  
Rosalind Cylar; Registrar  
Jack Chapman; Treasurer  
Amanda Parker; Member-at-Large  
Michelle Donatelli; Member-at-Large

I say a very sad good-bye to Pam Bourque, Colleen Wilson-Hodge and Sandi Roberts. I

*enjoyed working with you all so much. I admire your commitment and your hard work. Your children are so lucky to have such involved parents who love them and only want what is best for them. You all have enriched my life as well.*

*Kelli Wright, Director*

### **Upcoming Events:**

May 4<sup>th</sup>=Staff Meeting 6:00pm  
Preschool B Field Trip to Strawberry Farm  
May 5<sup>th</sup>= Cinco de Mayo  
Board Meeting  
May 6<sup>th</sup>= Mother's Day Store  
May 7<sup>th</sup>= Muffins for Mom  
May 9<sup>th</sup>= Mother's Day  
May 11<sup>th</sup>= Preschool A Field Trip to Strawberry Farm  
May 17<sup>th</sup>=Child Abuse Training for Staff 6:00pm  
May 18<sup>th</sup>=CPR for Staff 6:00pm  
May 19<sup>th</sup>= Graduation Rehearsal Board Meeting  
May 20<sup>th</sup>= Graduation 6:15pm  
May 31<sup>st</sup>= Center Closed for Memorial Day

### **Coming Up:**

June 1<sup>st</sup>=First Aide for Staff 6:00pm  
June 9<sup>th</sup>=Board Meeting  
June 11<sup>th</sup>=MCDC Picnic 6:00pm  
June 14<sup>th</sup>=Flag Day  
June 17<sup>th</sup>=Father's Day Store  
CPR for Staff 6:00pm  
June 18<sup>th</sup>=Donuts for Dad  
June 20<sup>th</sup>=Father's Day  
June 23<sup>rd</sup>=Board Meeting

### **Hello From Infant A**

April showers have made us six little buds in Infant A. The youngest buds, Thomas and William, love their tummy time play and still spend their naptime in the swings. The floor gang, Matthew, Jesse and Collin have been infiltrated by Izzy. Izzy pairs up with Collin a lot to play with stack blocks on the floor and shake bottles during music time. Matthew and Jesse, we call them our room twins, partly because they were born on the same day and partly because they seem to do everything at the same time. They are best buds!

Mom's, we hope you enjoy your day this month and make it a special one. Don't forget to stop by to get your muffin. Happy Mother's Day!

Ms. Lisa and Mrs. Donna

### **The Little Rascals**

We would like to say greetings from Infant B, the Beautiful Babies. Not only do we have babies moving to another phase in life, but Mrs. d'Gail will be retiring. We will miss our teacher and coworker. Thank you for caring and watching us grow. Carleigh and Lyla boarded the 747 Creeper B plane. We will surely miss them for our days have flown by. Kaitlin is now the senior of the class. She is our security and protective officer. She likes to investigate everyone and everything that comes in the room. We feel so secure thanks to Kaitlin and all her hard work. Emily is our Pilate's and yoga instructor. Adelyn is our little Paula Dean; her specialty is peanut butter ice cream. Her newest project is peanut butter washing powders. We have a new girl on the block and her name is Breelyn. She is a mover and a shaker. We know that she will keep us on the move and keep things shaking. Daniel is our youngest and the only king in our class. He is our little sprinkler system. He was instrumental in providing April showers and May flowers. It is good to have your own little sprinkler system. Hope everyone has a great month!

Mrs. Janice and Mrs. d'Gail

### **Jamin Babies**

Greetings from the Jammin Babies. We are all doing well and our little dancers are all little pros at dancing to the music. Our dancers are seven in all and include, Anderson, Arabella, Jack, Riley, Camryn, William, and Hana. Anderson is our observant dancer, Arabella our secretive dancer, Jack our all out go at it dancer, Riley our nodding dancer, Camryn our rocking dancer, William our disappearing dancer, and Hana our reserved dancer.

Parents, we had fun celebrating the Week of the Young Child with you. We would like to thank all the parents for sharing snacks, music, and reading stories to our dancers. We could not have had such a successful week without you parents. Thank you!

We would also like to express the importance of signing your child in and out each day. This helps us to keep count of how many children we have in case of an emergency. Until next time we will all keep dancing.

Mrs. Freda, Mrs. Yvonne, and Mrs. Jadena

### **Creeper B Cruising Babies**

Summer is right around the corner and the cruising creepers plan to spend more time outside playing and going for walks. Please remember that we will be applying sunscreen to your child when going outside. You can either fill out a sunscreen form weekly or get a doctor's note for the year (be sure the dates are on the doctor's note, i.e. 5/1/10-9/1/10). Please replace your child's extra clothing in their cubby with weather appropriate clothes. If your child is crawling, please supply a pair of pants we can put on for playing on the playground.

We would like to give a big warm welcome to Carleigh and Lyla into our classroom. We had to say a sad goodbye though to Brandon as he graduated to the toddler room. Catherine is quite helpful

around the classroom, carrying items for the teachers. She is also having a great time walking up and down the playground stairs and going down the slide. Andrew and Wyatt are walking well with the aid of push toys and are on their way to walking independently. Leo and Abbie are moving and grooving, crawling everywhere! Carleigh is enjoying her new found love of table food, and becomes so excited while sitting at the table with the big kids. Isaac is walking, walking, and walking. He loves being outside where he explores nature. Lyla is happily playing in her new classroom while socializing with her friends, old and new. We will be closed on May 31<sup>st</sup>, in observance of Memorial Day. We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Ms. Michele on May 28<sup>th</sup>!

Ms. Michele and Ms. Judy

### **Hello from the Busy Bees (Toddler A)**

Hooray for May! We hope everyone had a wonderful month of April. We were able to get outside and enjoy some of the beautiful weather April brought us and we are hoping for the same this month. We will be providing our mother's with a Mother's Day Tea on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Please come out and join in the fun. We would like to welcome two new faces to the busy bees' class and they are Owen and Brandon. We now have a full class of bees flying around. Yes, summer is approaching quickly, which means water play time. Water play will be starting up next month and this means we will need permission forms for each child to participate, so be looking out for these forms in your child's cubby. We would like to wish Jada a Happy Birthday, she will two years old. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to ask.

Mrs. Sybil and Ms. Sharon

### **Tumbling Turtles (Toddler B)**

Can you believe it is May already? This means we need to be getting ready for

Mother's Day. We will have muffins for mom on May 7<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria. Mother's Day is on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to tell your Mother's how much you love them! The 5<sup>th</sup> of May is Cinco de Mayo, so in honor of that we are going to learn about some of the Mexican/Spanish traditions. We will be listening to new music, learn new words, and so much more during the month of May! May 12<sup>th</sup> is graduation rehearsal for our preschoolers and the 13<sup>th</sup> will be their graduation. We would like to congratulate all our preschoolers who will be starting kindergarten in the fall. The center will be closed on May 31<sup>st</sup> for Memorial Day.

May is also the month of manners here at MCDC, so we will be emphasizing to the children and teachers to use polite words. Please help us teach our children to use good manners.

Mrs. Gail and Mrs. Tara

### **Curious Caterpillars (2A)**

Hello, from Explorer A, the Curious Caterpillars. We hope everyone had a good month. Oh how this year is flying by. May has already caught up with us. This month we will be busy doing fun things with the children.

Below is a list of things our class we be learning about.

May 3-7 Mother's Day

May 10-14 Under the Rainbow

May 17-21 Plants

May 24-28 Puppets

May 31<sup>st</sup>- Closed for Memorial Day

We would like to wish Connor a Happy Birthday on May 7<sup>th</sup>; he will be 3 years old. Please remember to sign your child in and out each day for accountability purposes. Also, with the weather changing make sure your child has the right weather appropriate clothing in his/her cubby. Thank you all for your support and if you have any questions, our door is always open.

Ms. Randie and Ms. Sandra

## **News from the Bouncing Butterflies**

### **(2B)**

Greetings from the bouncing butterflies. This month we will be talking about manners and self-help skills. The children will learn how to put their socks and shoes on by themselves, as well as; saying please and thank you. These would be some great things to work with your children on while at home. Thank you, parents for remembering to sign your child in and out each day, this really helps with accountability.

Happy Mother's Day to all our mother's and we hope to see you on May 7<sup>th</sup> for our Muffins for Mom in the cafeteria starting at 6:45am. Also, don't forget about our Mother's Day store on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$2 per gift. We would like to wish Finnley a Happy Birthday on May 18<sup>th</sup>.  
Mrs. Soraida and Mrs. Deborha

### **Perky Preschoolers**

The weather has really been great, but it is beginning to get hot. If you would like us to apply sunscreen to your child please make sure a permission form is filled out each week. We prefer the mist spray lotions as they are much easier to apply and not nearly as messy. (It would be extremely helpful if you could apply your child's sunscreen before bringing them to school each day). Hats and a good pair of sunglasses would also be great for their protection.

Our themes and beginning blends for the month are: Flowers, "br", Plants/Seeds, "cr", The Works of Eric Carle/Insects, "dr", and Transportation, "fr." Our focus for this month will be math. We will concentrate on a variety of activities including sequencing of events. With summer approaching, here are just a few reminders: all snacks and party foods must be store bought to ensure an accurate ingredient list for the prevention of any food allergies, make sure your child has an adequate supply of extra clothing (weather appropriate) and tennis shoes (crocs, sandals,

and flip-flops are a tripping hazard and not recommended for running and playing outside), remember to sign your child in and out daily (this is essential for accountability, especially during drills), and please take precautions when utilizing the back playground door (socializing makes it hard to keep up with who is coming and going, never prop the door open and if you hold the door open while signing your child out, make sure you let a teacher know you are leaving. Only you and your child should enter or exit from the back door.) The Mother's Day store will be Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and Muffins for Mom's will be on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. We would like to wish James Isaac (11<sup>th</sup>) and Shane (14<sup>th</sup>) a Happy Birthday. Thank you for your support and the many generous donations received for the classroom from our wish list!

Mrs. Betsy and Mrs. Gouri

### **Teddy Bear News**

It's hard to believe that graduation is this month. The ceremony will be May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm in building 4200.

The children have been working hard, and they are excited to perform for you. Graduation is only for those children who are going to kindergarten in August.

Our field trip this month will be to the strawberry farm, on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$7.00 a person and please make sure you bring a bag lunch with a drink for you and your child. We will have an additional field trip for those children who are going to kindergarten. Information will be coming soon as to when that field trip is scheduled.

Spring is here, so please make sure to check your child's cubby for appropriate clothes for the season, and remember, to apply sunscreen every morning on your children.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER!!!** Please make sure you sign your child in and out EVERY DAY! We can't begin to tell you how important this is for your child to be accounted for in case of an emergency.

Ms. Sharron and Mrs. Cynthia

### **News from the Hoppers**

It is hard to believe that we only have a little over 4 weeks until our graduation.

This year has gone by so fast. We will be starting our summer program after the graduation. We do not continue with contracts during the summer, although; we will be doing activities, such as water play. We will continue academic activities as well. Our graduation program will be on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm at Morris Auditorium in building 4200 where we had the Christmas program. We have some songs and dances to perform for you after which we will have a graduation ceremony. Please feel free to invite as many guests as you would like. More information will be sent out later. Some important dates to remember this month are as follows: May 6<sup>th</sup>= Mother's Day Store, May 7<sup>th</sup>= Muffins for Mom, May 19<sup>th</sup>= Graduation Rehearsal, May 20<sup>th</sup>= Graduation, May 24<sup>th</sup>- May 28<sup>th</sup>= Parent/teacher conferences, and May 31<sup>st</sup>= Closed for Memorial Day.

Unfortunately we have no birthdays for the month of May. It has been such a pleasure to teach your children this year. They are a smart and delightful group of kids. We feel like they have done a wonderful job and are ready to be successful at next year's endeavors. We love your children and we thank you for entrusting them with us this year. We are looking forward to a fun summer!

Mrs. Jennifer and Mrs. Betty